MINISTRY OF ENERGY (SHRIMATI SUSHILA ROHATGI): (a) As per the tentative assessment carried out by the Planning Commission, a capacity addition of about 694 MW is envisaged for the 8th Plan period in Punjab Based on this capacity addition and tentative shares from Central Sector projects, and demands as assessed by the 12th Power Survey, Punjab is expected to have a peaking availability of 3471 MW against the demand of 4548 MW, thus having a deficit of 1077 MW in 1994-95

(b) and (c) The broad outline of the power programme for the State of Punjab, including its share in the Central Sector projects in the Northern Region during the 9th Plan period, would be known after the precise size of the 8th Plan Power Programme is finalised by the Planning Commission.

Setting up of Solar Thermal Power Generation Project in Punjab

3159. SHRI PAWAN KUMAR BANSAL: Will the Minister of ENERGY be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Punjab State has submitted a proposal for setting up of 30 MW Solar Thermal Power Generation Project in the State;

(b) if so, what are the details thereof; and

(c) what action has been taken by the Central Government in the matter?

THE MINISTER OF ENERGY (SHRI VASANT SATHE): (a) to (c) A prefeasibility report for setting up 30 MW Solar Thermal Power Generation project has been prepared which is under consideration Several State Governments including Punjab have shown interest in setting up such power plants in their states.

Thermal Power Projects Behind Schedule

3160 SHRI SANTOSH KUMAR SAHU: Will the Minister of ENERGY be pleased to state

(a) what are the details regarding the thermal power projects which are languishing for want of funds and lack of proper infrastructure;

(b) whether it is a fact that the work on Tenughat thermal power project at Lalparia in Bihar is far behind the schedule; and

(c) if so, by when the first phase of the project will be completed?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE DEPARTMENT OF POWER IN THE MINISTRY OF ENERGY (SHRIMATI SUSHILA ROHATGI): (a) Information is being collected and shall be laid on the Table of the House.

(b) and (c) The first phase of Tenughat Thermal Power Project envisages commissioning of two units. The project was originally scheduled for completion by 6/86. It is now expected to be completed by 90-91.

Need for change in Import Policy in respect of Certain Drugs

3161 SHRI M KADHARSHA: Will the Minister of INDUSTRY be pleased to refer to the answer to Unstarred Question 1008 given in the Rajya Sabha on the 3rd August, 1987 and state:

(a) whether it is a fact that there are a number of drugs on OGL list in whose case the installed capacity is even five to six times more than the estimated demand;

(b) if so, whether it is a fact that a number of representations from the drug companies fulfilling such criteria are pending with the Ministry; and

(c) if so, what are the reasons for not making a recommendation for change in import policy in respect of those drugs?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE DEPARTMENT OF CHEMICALS AND PETRO-CHEMICALS IN THE MINISTRY OF INDUSTRY (SHRI R K. JAICHANDRA SINGH): (a) Yes, Sir.

(b) All such representations are examined from time to time and suitable recommendations are made accordingly.

(c) Does not arise.

Price Control of Corticosteriods

3162 SHRI VITHALRAO MADHAVRAO JADHAV: Will the Minister of INDUSTRY be pleased to state:

(a) on what criteria Corticosteriods, Frobenicid and anti-Histaminic drugs have been excluded from price control by the Kelkar Committee; and

(b) if so, whether these drugs will be under price control?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE DEPARTMENT OF CHEMICALS AND PETRO-CHEMICALS IN THE MINISTRY OF INDUSTRY (SHRI R. K. JAICHANDRA SINGH): (a) and (b) The criteria adopted by the Kelkar Committee for exclusion of Category II drugs from price control are contained in its report copies of which are available in the Parliament Library.

Prices of Vaccines

3163. DR. (SHRIMATI) SAROJINI MAHISHI: Will the Minister of INDUSTRY be pleased to refer to the answer to Unstarred Question 1509 given in the Rajya Sabha on the 23rd November, 1987 and state:

(a) whether it is a fact that the prices of all vaccines have touched the sky after the announcement of the Drugs Price Control Order, 1987; and

(b) if so, what are the names of the vaccines which have come to the notice of his Ministry where prices have increased along with the old and present price of each?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE DEPARTMENT OF CHEMICALS AND PETRO-CHEMICALS IN THE MINISTRY OF INDUSTRY (SHRI R K JAICHANDRA SINGH): (a) and (b) To the extent information is readily available, only one company i e. M/s Serum Institute have revised the prices of two products namely, ATS and Anti-snake Venom serum, after six years, due to increase in the cost of input materials. The details are given below:

S. No.	Name of the formulation	Old Price	Current Price
1.	Tetanus Antitoxin (ATS) 750 i.u./Amp.	2.24	5 80
2.	Tetanus Antitoxin (ATS) 1500 i.u./Amp.	3.54	9 94
3.	Anti Snake Venom Serum (ASVS)	41.45	118.00

Price Control of Neomycin

3164 SHRI VITHALRAO MADHAVRAO JADHAV: Will the Minister of INDUSTRY be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that the Kelkar Committee excluded from price control Neomycin, Colistin, Phthalyl Sulphathiazole, Codine and Sulphagunadine which are used for the treatment of diarrhoea;

(b) if so, on what criteria each of these drugs has been excluded; and

(c) if so, whether these drugs are likely to be brought under price control?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE DEPARTMENT OF CHEMICALS AND PETRO-CHEMICALS IN THE MINISTRY OF INDUSTRY (SHRI R. K. JAICHANDRA SINGH): (a) Yes, Sir

(b) and (c) The criteria adopted by the Kelkar Committee for exclusion of Category II drugs from price control and reasons for excluding various drugs from price control are contained in its report copies of which are available in the Parliament Library.